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# Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Michael Wallace

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☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ This action is **FINAL**.

☒ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 2 month(s), or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

## Disposition of Claims

☒ Claim(s) 1 and 3-23 is/are pending in the application.

Of the above, claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

☒ Claim(s) 1 and 3-23 is/are allowed.

☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are rejected.

☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.

☐ Claims \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction or election requirement.

## Application Papers

☒ See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.

☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.

☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some\* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been  
☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\*Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

## Attachment(s)

☒ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☒ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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### DETAILED ACTION

1. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:
2. Claim 3 is objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 3 depends upon claim 2, which has been deleted. Appropriate correction is required.
3. Under 37 CFR 1.96 (c), Submission of Computer program listings, as an appendix which will not be printed; if a computer program listing printout is eleven or more pages long, applicant's must submit such listing in the form of microfiche, and must refer to such a microfiche at the beginning of the specification.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

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*Allowable Subject Matter*

4. Claims 1-23 are allowed.

Independent claims 1,7,13 and 20 are allowed for the same reason. In each of these claims, applicant has claimed determining duplicated elements in a plurality of class files and removing the duplicated elements from the plurality of class files to obtain a plurality of reduced class files. Applicant's invention differs from the cited prior art in that applicant further forms a shared table comprising the plurality of duplicated elements and forms a multi-class file comprising the plurality of reduced class files and the shared table.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Wallace whose telephone number is (703) 308-8996.

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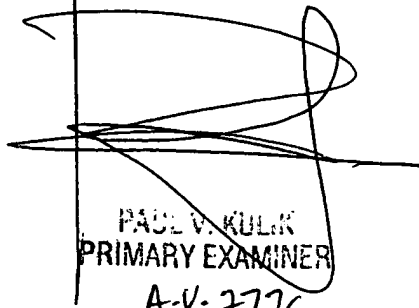
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